





Photo: 1925/26 school year

Note enclosed pict.
of course, and copies of Auburn days
(in and around 1926 when I was born
in Seattle). I believe man on Dad's
left is Frank Steunenberg. Other pic
is Mom with art class on "Inspiration
Point" overlook. Great, what?!

God bless, and let's keep in touch!

VIA: CHAS. BOLANDER

CH. HAROLD
SHULL

Donated by Harold Shull
November, 2002.

His father was Claude
A. Shull, principal
from 1925-1928, who
is front center. On
Shull's left is Frank
Steunenberg.

Seated on chairs: (L-R)
Clara Silver (sewing)
Violet Scott (Science/Math)
B.S. Whitehouse (Cook)
Walter Beach (Precipitation/Long/Hist)
C.A. Wyman (Bible/baking)
Claude Shull (Principal)
Frank Steunenberg (Bible, Voice/Work)
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C. Lloyd Tupper? (Farew)
Mildred Wyman (Piano)

Mar 30, 2006

Dear Sir,

This is a picture I inherited. Would like to share it as I don't know if the school owns this copy.

It was a picture taken of the entire student body & I believe faculty taken I believe in 1919- or 1920. It was the 1st graduating class of Auburn Academy.

My Dad Oscar E Nelson was a graduate of the class.

I graduated in 1959.
40 yrs. later.

Sincerely,

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Dear Caroline,

First, I want to express my sincere gratitude for the Auburn photo that you recently sent. You were right, we did not have a copy of that photo. There is a sister photo (the same people, same clothes, but different expressions and a dog included) in the 1926 yearbook, but it is much smaller and, printed as it is in small dots like a newspaper, of rather poor resolution.

Is your father in the photo? If he is, could you let me know his position? Back in the old days even the yearbooks would not name the folks in the photos. We do know who a few of them were, but would like to know more.

The dating of the photo is something of a question. Because the sister photo appeared in the 1926 book, we assumed that it was taken during the 1925/26 school year. The faculty in the front row also taught here during that time. The photo could not have been taken before 1921; the administration building behind the group was the second one, which was built to replace the first building which burned on May 6, 1921.

Your photo cleared up at least one puzzle for us. To the right of the administration building can be seen a corner of the "Academy Apartment House" that was converted to a boys' dorm after the fire. It is still in existence, the oldest building on campus, and currently sits behind the industrial buildings near the edge of the cliff overlooking the Green River Valley and is used for storage. There were stories that this was not its original location—that the building had been moved. The picture you sent shows this building was lined up with the south edge of the administration building; it is now located about a hundred feet north.

Thanks to contributions by "Romeo's Kids" we are able to keep our memorabilia in an archivally safe environment in fireproof cabinets. The photo you sent will join our other historic photos there.

Thanks again,

JoAnn McKey
Librarian